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(b) The policy of NCUA is to revolve loan funds to qualifying credit unions as often as practical in order to gain maximum economic impact on as many participating credit unions as possible.

## § 705.3 Definitions.

(a)(1) The term "low-income members" shall mean those members who make less than 80 percent of the average for all wage earners as established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics or those members whose annual household income falls at or below 80% of the median household income for the nation as established by the Census Bureau or those members otherwise defined as low-income members as determined by order of the NCUA Board.

(2) In documenting its low-income membership, a credit union that serves a geographic area where a majority of residents fall at or below the annual income standard is presumed to be serving predominantly low-income members. In applying the standards, Regional Directors shall make allowances for geographical areas with higher costs of living. The following is the exclusive list of geographic areas and the differentials to be used:

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	cent
Hawaii	40
Alaska	36
Washington, DC	19
Boston	17
San Diego	15
Los Angeles	14
New York	13
San Francisco	13
Seattle	10
Chicago	
Philadelphia	

(b) For purposes of this part, a participating credit union means a state- or federally-chartered credit union that is specifically involved in the stimulation of economic development activities and community revitalization efforts aimed at benefiting the community it serves; whose membership consists of predominantly low-income members as defined in paragraph (a) of this section or applicable state standards as reflected by a current low-income designation pursuant to §701.34(a)(1) or §741.204 of this chapter or, in the case

of a state-chartered nonfederally insured credit union, under applicable state standards; and has submitted an application for a loan and/or technical assistance and has been selected for participation in the Program in accordance with this part.

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## §705.4 Program activities.

In order to meet the objectives of the Program, a credit union applicant should provide a variety of financial and related services designed to meet the particular needs of the low-income community served. These activities shall include basic member share account and member loan services.

#### § 705.5 Application for participation.

- (a) Applications to participate and qualify for a loan or technical assistance under the Program may be obtained from the National Credit Union Administration, Community Development Revolving Loan Program For Credit Unions.
- (b) The application for a loan shall contain the following information:
- (1) Information demonstrating a sound financial position and the credit union's ability to manage its day-to-day business affairs, including the credit union's latest financial statement. Nonfederally insured credit unions must include the following:
- (i) A copy of its most recent outside audit report;
- (ii) Proof of deposit and surety bond insurance which states the maximum insurance levels permitted by the policies;
- (iii) A balance sheet, an income and expense statement, and a schedule of delinquent loans, for the most recent month-end and each of the twelve months preceding that month-end.
- (2) Evidence that the credit union has a need for increased funds in order to improve financial services to its members.
- (3) The following information concerning a state-chartered credit union's field of membership:
- (i) Current field of membership as set forth in the credit union's charter;

- (ii) Changes, if any, to be made to the field of membership for participation in the Program, including;
- (A) Evidence of approval of change by credit union board of directors;
- (B) Evidence of submission and approval of change by the state supervisor:
- (iii) Current designation as a low-income credit union if the credit union is not federally insured.
- (4) Along with a community needs plan, specifics of how the credit union proposes to serve the needs of its members and the community with Program funds. The applicant credit union will also construct and submit a plan for its growth and development. The plan will set forth objectives for financial growth, credit union development and capitalization, and the means for achieving these objectives.
- (5) Indication of any other involvement in existing community development programs of state and federal agencies.
- (c) NCUA will notify applicant credit unions as to whether or not they have qualified for a loan or technical assistance under this part. Reasons for non-qualification will be stated. Any applicant whose qualification is denied may appeal that decision to the NCUA Board.

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# § 705.6 Community needs plan.

- (a) The credit union's board of directors will prepare a Community Needs Plan and submit it with its loan application. The Plan will contain a list of needed community services that the credit union will provide.
- (b) The credit union's board of directors will report on the progress of providing needed community services to the credit union members once a year, either at the annual meeting or in a written report sent to all members. The credit union will also submit the written report or a summary of the report given at the annual meeting to NCUA

# § 705.7 Loans to participating credit unions.

(a) Amount and recording of loans. A participating credit union will be eligi-

ble to receive up to \$300,000 in the aggregate, as determined by the NCUA Board, in the form of a loan from the Community Development Revolving Loan Fund for Credit Unions. The amount of the loan will be based on funds availability, the creditworthiness of the participating credit union, financial need, and a demonstrated capability of a participating credit union to provide financial and related services to its members. At the discretion of NCUA, a loan will be recorded by a participating credit union as either a note payable or a nonmember deposit.

(b) *Matching requirements.* Participating credit unions will be encouraged to develop, as rapidly as possible, a permanent source of member shares.

- (1) Generally loan monies made available must be matched by the participating credit union by increasing its share deposits in an amount equal to the loan amount. However, any loan monies matched by member share deposits will be credited as a two-for-one match. Nonmember share deposits accepted to meet the matching requirement are not subject to the 20% limitation on nonmember deposits under §701.32. Participating credit unions must meet this matching requirement within one year of the approval of the loan application and must maintain the increase in the total amount of share deposits for the duration of the loan. Once the loan is repaid, nonmember share deposits accepted to meet the matching requirement are subject to §701.32.
- (2) Upon approval of its loan application, and before it meets its matching requirement, a participating credit union may receive the entire loan commitment in a single payment. If any funds are withheld, the remainder of the funds committed will be available to the participating credit union only after it has documented that it has met the match requirement for the total amount of the loan committed.
- (3) Failure of a participating credit union to generate the required match within one year of the approval of the loan will result in the reduction of the loan proportionate to the amount of match actually generated. Payment of any additional funds initially approved will be limited as appropriate to reflect